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Sir:

In accordance with Applicant's duty of disclosure, submitted herewith are copies of the documents cited in the International Search Report issued in connection with International Patent Application No. PCT/GB99/00001 of which the above-identified U.S. patent application is the U.S. National Stage. From the Notification of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 mailed September 5, 2000, Applicant notes that copies of the International Search Report and references cited therein have been received by the PTO. Accordingly, additional copies of these documents are not being furnished herewith.

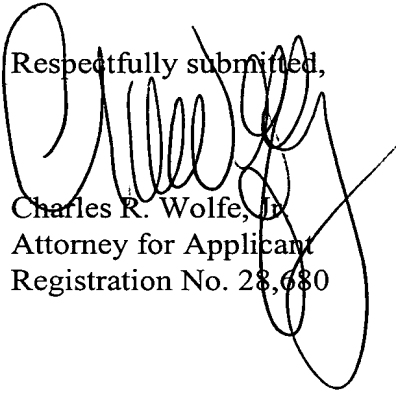
With the exception of DE 88 04 865 U, all of the patent cited in the International Search Report are U.S. patents and so no further statement of relevancy is required by Applicant.

With respect to DE 88 04 865 U, Applicant is unaware of any English language equivalent or English language abstract for this document. However, Applicant wishes to point out that this German patent, like all patents cited in the International Search Report, were cited under Category A, i.e. document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance.

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The Examiner is requested to review each of the documents cited in the International Search Report and make them of record in the subject application. A completed form PTO-1449 is attached for this purpose.

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